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Shanghai, the wife of W. Thomson, of a son. MARRIAGE. On the 21st December, at H.B.M.'s Consulate-General, Shanghai, by Sir. Pelham L. Warr-n, K.C.M.G., and afterwards at Holy. Trinity Cathedral, by the Rev. C. J. F. Symons, B.A., WILLIAM BEAUFORT CHATTON, of Shanghai, to MABBL Rose, daughter of J. Henningsen, formerly of

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THE Christmas holidays have passed by apparently without seeing any change in the situation up North. The prepers brought down by steamers arriving from Shanghai and Japan are naturally very full of talk, about war chances and preparations. Reports of the mobilisation of the Japanese was also reported to have chartered ten companies, but with regard to three of them, according to the Kobe correspondent of the N.-C. Daily News, the Nippon Yusen Kaisha has denied the report. Similar rumours are rife: But it is known that negotiations still hold the field, which will not be occupied by arms until negotiations fail. Our Shanghai morning contemporary's Tokyo representative stated last week that, in his conference with Baron Rosen on Monday, Baron KOMURA demanded that that Russia is now unable to make farther concessions. The correspondent continues: -"The situation is most grave. A casus belli will possibly be found in Corea, although Japan's chief contentions largely

denies that Manchuria is in the scope of the negotiations with Japan, and challenges Japan's view of the situation in Corea. Corea is now the crux of the difficulty," be adds. From these and from other sources it seems now agreed that Russia has put aside the question of Manchuria as out l of Japan's sphere of interest altogether. Russia indeed subscribes to an article appearing earlier this month in the Novoe Vremya from the pen of Stromyat Nikoff, As usual, we are selling one of the BEST a well-known Russian writer. The article declares that Russia cannot restore either ASSORTMENTS in the Colony of GOODS the whole or a portion of Manchuria to nised as a thing of the past. With regard to the Manchus, it may be admitted that there is very little of the dynasty left in the present. But that this practical extinction does away with the connection of Manchuria with the Chinese Empire or with the treaty rights of other Powers in Manchuria, Russia can hardly expect China or the Powers to accept without further protest. In endeavouring to transfer her dispute with Japan to Corean affairs alone, she has shown no little diplomatic skill, which, however, she seems likely to nullify by being over obstinate in Corea. It was thought that she might try to buy Japan off in the Manchurian question by concessions in Corea, seeing that Japan was at the same time her most pressing opponent in Manchuria and the dominant figure in Corea. Now, however, there are indications to show that even

apathetic China is stirring about the Man-

churian question (after how long!), and it is

said that a new "Anti-Russian Society" is

gaining members rapidly, even in the South,

where the future of Manchuria might not be

thought a matter of great concern. REUTER's news still continues to echo the pacific note from S. Petersburg. This note longer it continues, in the absence of any playing great irritation against the English (Sung dynasty 11th and 12th century A.D.) Press, whose attitude seems to excite even greater animosity than is displayed against the Japanese." The attitude of the English Press, to which objection is made, is of course one of sympathy with Japan, extending in some cases (as we think it should) to a declaration that Britain can not see Japan crushed by Russia. Naturally the Russian newspapers feel that were Britain indifferent things would be easy for them, and there might be hopes of that "threefold lever" acting again, which robbed Japan of the chief spoils of her victory over China and transferred the bulk of them to Russia. Indeed at Tientsin, we read, a rumour has been current that the "threefold lever" is to work again. This may be dismissed at once; Japan does not stand now isolated as in 1895. Britain is not now indifferent. And on the desires of France and Germany t would now be less easy to play, whereas then it was sufe. There will be no unfriendly pressure put on Japan to make her give way before Russia. She can this time "call' Russia's hand," has indeed done so, and it must come down when that still undelivered reply is forthcoming.

Severe snow-storms are reported to have been taking place between Tokyo and Yokohama, interrupting telegraph service.

The thermometer at Weihaiwei on the 16th inst. read as follows, in the open air in a shady situation :- min., 20; max., 23.

The visitors to the City Hall Library and Museum for the week ending 27th December, were 154 non-Chinese and 42 Chinese to the former, and 34 non-Chinese and 1,641 Chinese to the latter institution.

The National Zeitung (Berlin) at the begin. ning of December published a statement from S. Pefersburg to the effect that the Grand Duke Alexander Michaelovitch was striving to army were current in Tokyo in the middle open the eyes of the Tsar to the machinations of last week, but nothing is known so far to of the Court Camarilla, the members of which justify them. The Japanese Government have secretly acquired extensive forests in Corea, and sought to precipitate war with Japan in Polynesien by his family. order to secure enormous profits. Of course, steamers belonging to prominent shipping it is too good to believe that the Tsar's eyes [will be opened-whether the story is true or

The New York paper, Japan and America, The Japanese Emperor, this journal points out, on account of wilfully delaying the mail H. Beavis, of Messre. Wilkinson and Grist, "is held in reverence by millions of Japanese, at Hongkong, we made enquiries at the Post who look upon him with the exalted respect Office. The Pacific Mail have not rentered with which Russians regard the Metropolitan themselves . liable, . and Catholics the Pope. To represent in a being subsidised by the British Post (fice. humorous or ridiculous manner this venerated | The company's vessels, in fact, sailing ulder a personage is to repel and pain any Japanese factory reply; but in Tokyo it is considered who might witness the play. It ought also carry. The mail, which, by the way, was a to shock others who are aware of the true character and exalted station of the Mikado." This seems somewhat belated, considering how many years ago the Mikado was written—before Japan had taken anything like her present country is the humorous sketch taken as a The Gaelic was somewhat delayed at lanila, position among the nations, and surely in no the Kobe correspondent of the same paper, serious representation of life in the land of the leaving that port for Hengkong on Christmas ander to Janan Rising Sun

The date of the closing of entries for the forthcoming Raceshas been postponed from the 9th to the 16th prox.

A regular meeting of the Eethen Mark Lodge will be held at the Freemasons' Hall tomorrow at 5 for 5.30 p.m.

The A. A. als Arara from New York is due here from Manila on Monday at daylight, 4th

A Tokyo despatch to the Asahi states that the Yokohama foreign firms are declining orders for Bangoon and Indi in goods, as well as Russian sugar, on account of the diplomatic situation.

In the case against Mr. Le Prevest, charged with fraud in connection with the silk business of Messrs, Cornes & Co., Yokohama, tho defendant has been acquitted.

A Japanese Imperial Ordinance is forthcoming placing the Seoul-Fusan Railway under direct Government supervision for speedy completion, according to the N.-C. Daily News Tokyo correspondent.

All Asger Khan, late Grand Vizier of Persia accompanied by Sir Claude MacDonald, British himister at Tokyo, was to be received in audience by the Emperor of Japan on the morning of Christmas day, and subsequently to attend the royal luncheon.

-France, Germany, and Pussia-was to be another. brought into operation again to coerce Japan; but it is pointed but that Japan is in a very different position now from that she occupied eight years ugo.

The Kobe correspondent of the N-.C. Daily News telegraphed on the 23rd December :-There has been rioting by the Togakute in Zonre province, Corea. This is the party that was active previous to the outbreak of the war between Japan and China. It is expected to maintain order.

A Shanghai record in price was reached at a begin to grow less pleasing to the ear the sale of Chinese curies at the rooms of the Great Eastern Dispensary 1 at Thursday last when thing more tangible than mere sound. It is | Messrs. L. Moore & Co. knocked down two preinteresting to see that, according to sent Manchu Dynasty vasos (ceign of Yung) REUTER, "the Russian newspapers are dis- Ching 1723/36) for Tls. 575 and a bronze bowl

M.B.K., 1,705 tons: Wakanoura Maru, N.Y.K., 2,527 tons; Sakura Maru, N.Y.K. 2,979 tons; Kokura Maru, N.Y.K. 2 596 tons; Ariake Moru, M.B.K., 2,988 tons; Mandenson, formerly the Pembrokeshire; and three others. The Nippon Yusen Kaisha, however, has denied the charter. ing of its steamers.

Letters received from various parts of the Empire, says the N.-C. Daily News, contain nevs of the rapid spread of the Anti-Russian morement in the country and the establishment of Anti-Russiah societies with the avowed object of strengthening the hands of the Gover mint in opposing the permanent occupation of Minchuria by Russia. In Canton also there has been started a society of this kind whose membership is being daily augmented to an encouraging degree. Branch societies are also being rapidly organised in other cities of Kwangtung and Kwangsi provinces.

PORTUGAL AND SOUTH CHINA.

Portugal is about to make some important treaty with China with regard to her possessions in the South. In fact, the Portuguese Minister to-Peking. Senhor Conselleiro José d'Azevedo Castello Branco, is now on his way to Peking from Portugal to arrange matters. Senher Branco is a passenger on the M.M. s.s. Polynesien. The Polynesien left Singaron at 7 a.m. on the 23rd and is due here next Wedlesday. Senhor Branco is well known by many people in Hongkong and Chine, having been Portuguese Minister to Peking for some time. He has been home for only a short while; t is not known whether he is accompanied on the

MAIL DELAYED AT

The outward mail for America, by the s.s. Rorea, was delayed at Hongkong. As iome questions have been asked as to whether the Pacific Mail have rendered themselves lable foreign flag, are simply paid for what they a heavy mail shortly before, was sent oubcard the Korea on Saturday morning, the vesel not leaving till Sanday. The reason of dely was that the vessel waited for Governor Tot, who arrived from Manila yesterday by the Juelic.

TELEGRAMS.

REUTER'S SERVICE.

JAPAN AND RUSSIA.

LONDON, 26th December. The Russian reply is still undelivered, but is expected at any moment and awaited with the keenest auxiety in Europe. Russian diplomatic circles in 8. Petersburg profess optimism and

expect a pacific solution. The Russian newspapers are displaying great irritation against the English Press, whose attitude seems to excite even greater animosity than is displayed against the Japanese.

THE PANAMA REPUBLIC.

LONDON, 26th December. Great Britain has recognised the Panama Republic,

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Seven more racers arrived from Fhanghai by the s.s. Kwangtah -- two Derby griffins for Mr. Craig, two old ponies Algerine and Vancouver, who won the S. Leger in record time Shanghai) for Mr. Craig, one water (Dandy) to the local Times, that the "threefold lever" for Mr. Grey, and two Chins ponies, Prime and

A few half-mile spins have been done by Mr. Lewis's No. 40, and Mr. Marshall's No. 14, both doing good work. Mr. Mody's and the other stables are still on the trotting list.

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The well-filled houses which this company continue to draw nightly at the Theatre Royal are a sure index to the appreciation by the public of the entertainment they provide. The program me is certainly remarkably well-balanced. the various items, both sentimental, humorous, and aerobatic, being of a uniformly high standard. The performance of Hill and Sylviany on the unicycle is alone worth going a long way

MASONIC AFFAIRS.

The Right Worshipful Deputy District Under date Tokyo, 22ml December, the N.-C. Grand Master of Hongkong and South China, Daily News published the following:-The the Rt. Wor, Bro. E. C. Ray, last evening Nippon Yusen Kaisha steamors Matsu Maru, installe dWor, Bro. J. W. L. Oliver as R. W. M. 915 tons gross, and Shinagewa Maru, 1,344 of Zetland Lodge, No. 525 E.C., for the ensuing the frest afterwards took it up as an altertons gross, are reported bidly ashere near year, in succession to Wor. Bro. B. Brotherton native position that that morning it was a black follows :- Senior Warden, Bro. H. Sykes ; lasted right through the morning and a bottle feared that the Shinagawa Maru will be a total Junior Warden, Bro. W. H. Purcell; Chaplain, of "Club." But I have it on positive author-G. J. B. Sayer; Sacretary, Wor. Bro. J. found on a smooth dammed bit of one of the It was reported in Japan lass work that the Piercy (jun.); Senier Deacon, Bro. A. H. streams a veritable sheet of ice; it was so Government had chartered the steamers Taichu | Skelton; Junior Deacon, Bro. A. E. Crapnall; | thin, however, as to be comparable to nothing Maru, O.B.K., 3,320 fons; Asosan Maru, Dir. of Coremonies, Bro. J. C. Lowe; Organist, else except Chinese rice-paper: you picked to Bro. C. F. L. Donkin; Inner Guard, Bro. J., Parkes; Tyler, Bro. J. Vanstone; Stewards, Bros. W. King and C. R. Fittock.

At a banquet, after the installation ceremony, the following toasts were given :- The King, Grand Protector of the Craft; the most Worshipful Grand Master, H. R. H. the Duke of Connaught and Strathearn, K.G., and Officers of the Grand Lodge of England; the District Grand Master and Officers of the District Grand Lodge of Hongkong and Sou th China; Sister Lodges and Visitors; the Hongkong and South China Masonic Benevolence Fund Corporation; the Worshipful Master; the Immediate Past Master; Wives, Sisters, Daughters and Sweathearts of Masons; all Poor and Distressed Masons.

PIRACY NEAR SWATOW.

A during case of piracy is reported as having occurred in hinese waters, two days' sail from Swatow. The facts appear to be as follows. On or about the 8th inst. a junk laden with porcelain-ware for two firms in Hongkong set sail from Swatow. Two days later, on the 10th inst., the junk in question was overtaken and boarded by pirates, and all but a small portion of the said cargo was seized and transferred to the pirates boat, which, immediately after, set sail and disappeared. The junk then continued on its voyage to Hongkong, where the remainder of the porcelain was handed over to the owners, and a report of the piracy made to the police, a notice being also sent to the authorities at Swatow. On the 26th inst. Inspector McNab arrested one Sui Ching Me, a shopkeeper in Bonham Strand, for being in possession of about \$160 worth of what is suspected to be a portion the pirated property. On the 28th (yesterday) HONGKOIG. the prisoner was placed before Mr. J. H. Kemp, Acting Police Magistrate, at the Magistracy. when, after evidence of the arrest had been taken, the case was adjourned until Monday, the 4th prox. Mr. P. W. Goldring, of the firm of Messrs. Deacon and Hastings, solicitors, has been Gilbert's famous comic opera The Mikado, for damages to the British Postal Authorities, retained for the presecution, while Mr. C. E.

WEATHER REPORT.

The Hongkong Observatory yesterday issued the following report:-On the 28th at 11.45a. The barometer has risen over E. Japan, fallen quickly over N.

The depression lying over NE. Japan yesterday has moved away over the Pacific. Another depression probably exists over Manchuria.

Gradients decreasing with fresh to moderate monsoon in the Formosa Channel. Strong monsoon over the China Sen. Forecast: moderate N. winds ; fine,

NOTES FROM THE NEW TERRITORY.

[FROM A CORRESPONDENT.] 28th December.

XMAS AND THE WEATHER. Though we had a relapse into colder weather during the Xmas week-end, the temperature immediately before that was exceedingly low for this part of the country. On one or two mornings there was a distinct hear-frost visible in some parts. All over the inlying valleys the green tops of the sweet potatoes are to be seen blighted and blackened by the unaccustomed visitant. A curious thing is that one will find within the area of a single acre some patches that have been entirely blighted, and others again that have been left wholly untouched or else only slightly injured. It is heartening to know that, though the blighting of the potute tops retards somewhat the growth of the tuber, it does not necessarily mean the destruction of the crops, if the cold should moderate in intensity as it has already done. By the way, the method of planting the sweet potato is very much different from that adopted officers in the Kowloon Customs. I understand in the case of the common species. Our potato he will leave for Hainan by one of the Marty is inserted in the ground whole or cut into steamers from Hongkong about the beginning several parts according to the number of "eyes" it possesses. In the case of the sweet potato the Chinese simply cut a shoot off the "shaw', and stick it into the earth that has been prepared potatoes make an appearance at the end of the bazaar and at fresco fete in aid of funds for the plant. The sweet potate is eaten raw in many places, much as we eat an apple, but more generally it is cooked.

To revert back to the cold weather, there are those who are sceptical about the statement that hear frosthas actually been seen hereabouts. Certainly the morning laggard never will see it, for he has to be up and about early who would do so; it fades away as the first streaks of daylight rise above the north-east hills. There was one man who swore that the tale about the visible frost was all a hoax, and even went as far as to sacrifice the pleasures of a tired man's sleep in order that he might be called up at three o'clock to get ocular proof of this anomalous tropical frost. He was aroused in the darkthe matches always do go amissing on such occasions—but on his way out he stumbled over a sleeping dog and crashed into corner full of empty soda-water tbottles and used language of such a fiery kind that it was no wonder the frost had all disappeared from the grass-plot by the time he got downstairs. The man who had vouched for

> Like a snowflake on the river. One moment white, then gone forever.

SUGAR CANE. The farmers are now busy gathering in the sugar cane, which as it is cut is conveyed to one or other of the numerous mills which are to be found in the country, and made into sugar. As in most of their other industries of a like kind, the Chinese adhere to a very primitive method of doing the work, and scorn the modern ways. Two stone rollers not unlike those that are to be seen rolling the street in Hongkong sometimes, are placed on end, close together. These rollers are worked by buffaloes yoked on to a beam. They go round in opposite ways like the rollers of a mangle, and the cane is fed into them by means of a kind of shoot and comes out squeezed dry of all juice, which flows into a pan beneath. This juice afterwards goes through three processes of boiling and purifying in brass cauldrons over a furnace; then it is poured out to harden and is cut into little slabs, which are packed away ready for the market. At these mills they do not refine or granulate the sugar, when ready for despatch it is of a dark brown colour, very rich and sweet almost to nauseous-

plant was grown. As local sportsmen know to their cost, the shooting season in the New Territory has been | trip to Macao. Leaving her wharf at 9.30 a.m. a miserable and disappointing failure this year. Pressure is high over SE. Japan and Central That earliest of dainties, the snipe, seemed to have entirely forsaken their ancient haunts

find traces of the hillside terraces on which the by the excellent work, both in conception of

been an obvious falling-off in the number of scale-backs, the herviest and most valuable kind. Several teal have been got on the watercourses. On the whole, shooting has been far better on the Chinese side of the boundary than. on ours. Some big bags were secured in the Samehun district. With regard to big game, deer have been seen at White Sand Bay near Gindrinkers', but the country is a difficult one for following them up. That tiger in the gap between Sheungshui and Taipo has not again made his appearance. Two welves were pursued from a village near Shataukok after playing havec among the pigs; the depredators escaped, as they made too much speed for their

Mr. W. P. M. Whaite, who has been in charge of Shataukok Custom Stations for some time past, and was formerly at Samichan, has been promoted to be Assistant Examiner at Kiungchau, Hainan. The announcement of Mr. Whaite's promotion will be heard of with pleasure by his many friends in the New Territory and Hongkong; he is one of the most popular

AL FRESCO FETE IN MACAO. As previously announced in these columns, a

charitable institutions in Macao was held on Saturday and Sunday last at that place. The weather was perfect, and was, indeed, an ideal day for such a function. Gentle breezes were blowing, and thus it was most pleasant to promenade through the beautiful San Francisco grounds in which the fete was held, while visitors from Hongkong enjoyed the change from the sultry stillness prevailing here during the last few days. The idea of holding the fete on the days mentioned was a very happy conceit, as, at such a season, of goodwill, love, and charity, any appeal on behalf of the orphans, of whatever country, or wherever supported, must find ready response and practical support. That this appeal reached the hearts of Hongkong residents was proved by the large crowds going over to Macao on both days, large numbers stopping over for the two days; nor did they go empty-handed, as could be seen from the lines of rickshus leaving the grounds for the steamers, laden with parcels and packages, big and little. The grounds themselves had been most tastefully decorated, with palms, evergreens in immense length twisted about the pillars and posts—even to the lamp-posts, after the manner-to be seen-in-most English churches at this season; here, also, were the flags of all nations, while Chinese and Japanese lanterns were slung wherever they would have most effect. In the centre was the bandstand, and there during the afternoons and evenings of the two days the band of the. up | Guards (Portuguese) played a very fine selection of airs, mostly English, which the British visitor fully appreciated. The stalls had been laid out in long rows, and were all most tastefully covered with all kinds of articles, from penwipers to satin band-painted cushions, and from lace collars to warm socks, nearly all the work of the orphans themselves, some being also the gifts of residents of Macao. Here there were lucky bags, and there surprise-packet stalls, and here the refreshment stall, which was doing, perhaps, more than its fair share of business. Dainty young ladies flitted around with cigars and button-holes, and literally magnetised the dollars out of the pockets of the holiday-makers. And all the time the sun shone on, genially smiling on the gay and animated score, and making glad the hearts of those concerned or interested. Perhaps the luckybag afforded most merriment, as one incident alone will show. A young gentleman approached the bag, and, urged on by the ladies' wiles, timidly placed his hand in the bag, to draw out-what !-- two pairs of tiny bifurcated and lace-trimmed garments for a baby, to the intense amusement of his friends, a circle of whom soon gathered to join in the chaff. Placing these in his pockets he harriedly disappeared from view. During the afternoon In the previous paragraph I said the "farmers" the Right Rev. D. Paulino d'Azevedoe Castro Bishop of Macao, accompanied by the Rev. B' were busy getting in the cane. "Farmers" is rather a misnomer, for practically all the Nunes, his secretary, visited the grounds and agricultural cultivation is done by women. They made several purchases. There were also plough the fields, sow the seed, and garner the present Dr. L. Forte, Acting Colonial crops. In the sea-coast districts this is explained | Secretary, Dr. A. de Magelhaes, Chief Justice, by the fact that most of the men are fishermen. Messrs. Besto, Cabral, and their respective But it is also true of the inland districts, where I families, beside a large number of prominent there is little or nothing doing but agriculture. residents of Macao, and visitors from Hongkong, It cannot be doubted that the development of while it was remarkable what a number of Hongkong has attracted much of the male nationalities were represented, and elbowing population away from some parts of the New each other in their haste to be charitable—the Territory; rumours of higher wages and an | Chinese, it was also remarked, not being behind easier life elsewhere generally have that effect | hand incoming forward with the dollars, in aid upon most people. So far no indication has of these very deserving charities, and the comappeared of the coming of a time when the land | mittee, with their indefatigable hon. secretary, will go out of cultivation like the crofts of Mr. A. J. Basto, jun., are heartily to be con-Scotland for the lack of agricultural workers. gratulated at the successattending their untiring It is a fact, however, that at one time the slopes efforts and zeal in this great cause, which there of the hills of the Kewloon Peninsula were can be no doubt has placed those most worthy covered by tea plantations; yet tea cultivation institutions in a secure position for at least the is now a lost art, the Hakkas growing only next year. En passant, it might be mentioned a wild rank species of the leaf for their that the diligence and care with which the own use. All over the countryside you will orphans are trained was abundantly evidenced

and sold at this Bazaer. A few words may be said of the delightful that very comfortable boat the Wing Chai was soon on her way to Macao, in glorious weather. The breeze, which had been somewhat chilly while waiting for the start, was no longer felt, been equally scarce in most parts. Only pigeons to any degree of discomfort, as the boat was have been numerous, and even here there has going with the wind, and as the various points

design and consummation of detail, exhibited

of interest dropped astern others arose ahead. It was interesting, too, to see the small hamlets nestling in the vales with their background of green hills, and their foreshores lapped by the gently rolling waves. Macao was reached at 1.20. p.m., and then all became bustle in the rush to the scene of the day's business and pleasure. The return journey was again delightful, though very cold on deck, but the Wing Chai possesses many cosy corners, in the lee of boats and deck cabins etc., and thus, after a pleasant and instructive trip, Hongkong was once more reached | Praya East to make some purchases he forgot at 11,30 o'clock on Sunday n

SUPREME COURT.

Monday, 28th December.

IN SUMMARY JURISDICTION.

BEFORE HIS HONOUR A. G. WISE (Puisne Judge.)

BUIT AGAINST AN AMAH. An interesting point arose in a case in which Chan Ah Kam, an amah, sued another amah, Ah Oi, for the return of \$4) entrusted to the defendant by the plaintiff. Mr. M. W. Slade, barrister-at-law, appeared for the plaintiff, and Mr. E. J. Grist, of Messrs. Wilkinson and Grist, solicitors, for the defendant.

Mr. Slade said the plaintiff entrusted the sum of \$40 to the defendant to take to the country and deliver to the plaintiff's father-in-law. Plaintiff herself took the money round to the place where the defendant was employed and assisted to pack it up together with some money belonging to the defendant. This was put in a stocking which along with other articles was made into a small parcel. The defendant carried this parcel in her hand while a man bore her other luggage in a basket. Subsequently the plaintiff received no intimation of the receipt of the money from her father-in-law, and when defendant returned from the country and did not come to see her. the plaintiff wont and saw the defendant, who told her that the money and her other luggage in the basket had been stolen at Canton.

The plaintiff having given evidence, Mr. Grist said that the law on the point was quite clear. The defendant was not a recognised | him and brandished a naked bayonet in his face. carrier. She carried the money for nothing, and all that was required of her was that she should take the same care of it as of her own property.

His Lordship-She has got to exercise a reasonable care.

Mr. Grist said her word must be taken that robbery was committed and that she lost not only her own but plaintiff's property. If the law were otherwise it would be a hardship to people who lost goods they were carrying for their friends.

The defendant's evidence was to the effect that when she got to Canton a sampan-man got hold of her basket in which she had placed the parcel containing the money, to take it to his bont. Meantime she was looking after a sick friend, and when she got to the side of the steamer the sampan-man had disappeared, with her basket.

Mr. Slade contended that the burden of proof lay on the defendant; she was bound to hand over the money entrusted to her or satisfactorily account for its loss. It was not likely that the woman would allow her most valuable parcel to remain in a basket that was being carried down by a sampan man.

His Lordship said that with regard to the position of the money he was inclined to think the probabilities were in favour of its being in the basket. It was quite likely that she started away with the money in her hand. Sue probably put it in her basket for safe custody when she went to sleep on board the steamer. Had she shown a want of proper and reasonable care? He did not think she had. He knew of his own experience that when you get to Canton these sampan fellows shouldered your luggage and were down the ladder as fast as they could, go. Defendant was carrying the money without any pay. He did not think there was any evidence before him that there had been a want of reasonable care on her part. He non-suited plaintiff with costs. The Court adjourned.

THE NEGRO QUESTION IN THE SOUTHERN U.S.

That noted-or rather notorious-speaker, Senator Tillman of South Carolina, addressed an audience at the theatre in Savanuah, Georgia, last month. The striking portion of his utterances was as follows: "What others are going to do I know not, but in South Carolina the white man is bound to be on top. when there is not the moral fibre. Educate as white man."

POLICE COURT.

Monday, 28th December.

BEFORE MR. T. SERCOMBE SMITH (POLICE MAGISTRATE).

A JAPANESE CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION. K. Yoshi Mori, a young Japanese clerk, visited a number of his compatriots on Saturday, and with them all imbibed as much salai, the wine of his country, that when he entered a shop on what he was there for, and so, as, naturally, no one in the shop could tell him what it was he wished to purchase, he lost his temper, and began to break up the show cases. Upon seeing this, the proprietors seized Mr. Mori, and sent for the police. Sergeant Collett was promptly on the scene, and proceeded to arrest the man This was a somewhat difficult matter, as Mori is a heavily-built, thick-set young man, and fought like a tiger. Sergt. Collett's whistle soon had a Chinese constable at hand to assist him, but their combined efforts failed to get the man out of the shop, and finally a third and fourth constable were sent for, and then only was the man secured and taken to the lock-up. In the tussle one constable got his uniform torn. Arrived at the station he wished to bail himself out, but found he had lost his money, consisting of \$30. He was placed before Mr. T. Sercombe Smith at the Magistracy yesterday morning, when, after being severely reprimended by the Magistrate, he was ordered to pay \$3.50 as compensation for the damage done in the shop, 37 as compensation to the policeman for his torn uniform, fined \$5 for being drunk and disorderly, and \$25 for assaulting a policeman in the execution of his duty, with the usual alternative of imprisonment. The fines (\$40) were paid. He was also warned that on a repetition of such behaviour he would be placed in the stocks. . DANGEROUS CONDUCT.

Alexander Anderson, Sapper R.E., of Witfield Barracks, took possession of a ricksha which was standing by the side of the road while the coolie was some little distance away, being paid by a fare. The coolie seeing the soldier in possession of his vehicle rushed & p, thinking he had another fare, when the soldier turned upon Sergeant Aris was passing at the time and took the man in custody. The man said he was only larking, but such "larks" are not only dangerous but illegal, and His Worship fined bim \$5.

MARINE COURT.

Monday, 28th December.

BEFORE HON. BASIL TAYLOR (ACTING MARINE MAGISIRATE)

Mr. Murdoch McIver, inspector of junks charged Li Fat, steorsman of the licensed junk San Tong Wo, No. 8834H, with disobeying the lawful orders of the Harbour Master on the morning of the 28th (yesterday) in Victoria Harbour. The defendant pleaded not guilty.

Mr. McIver, who is an acting boarding officer, stated that at 7.30 that morning he went alongside the junk in question and asked the defendant for his licence. The man at first paid no attention, and then said he had a licence, but it was not necessary for him to show it. Mr. McIver then sent one of the boatmen on board the junk to try and get the licence; the man still refused, however, so he

was arrested and brought ashore. The defendant had no questions to ask, but said that the licence was locked up and the master of the junk ashore.

Mr. McIver, recalled, said that no one made any attempt to look for the licence. \$3 with the option of ten days.

REMARKABLE APPOINTMENT.

MAKING.

Mr. G. W. Smalley, New York correspondent of the London Times, says that the extra session of the United States Congress, which commenced at the beginning of November, was merged at noon on the 7th inst, into the regular session. President Roosevelt, the correspondent continues, acted on the artful advice of Senator Lodge and lawyers, between the first and the last stroke of the clock of twelve. This appreciable interval he utilised as a recess, and nominated Brigadier-General Wood, now in the Philippines, a Major-General, and other officers to higher rank, also Dr. Crum, a negro, to the position of Collector of Customs at Charleston, South Carolina, as recess appoint ments.

THE STATUS OF WEIHAIWEI.

The Weilediwei Gazette of the 17th December writes as follows: -It will interest our readers say I hate him, but I don't. I believe in giving arrived at regarding the status of Weihaiwei the negro all rights but the right to participate as a commercial port, which may have an in the Government. That he is not fitted for. important effect on its future development. The inalienable rights of the Constitution are | Some time ago the Chinese Customs authorities | all right for white men.' I like to see the negro at Shanghai refused to grant drawbacks on happy, but when his happiness makes mine goods in transit for this port, thus treating impossible, then he has got to get up and get | Weihaiwai as an ordinary Treaty port of China, If other means fail, it will be a question of though such drawbacks had hitherto been grantwhose happiness can shoot the straighter. ed without any objection having been raised. Educate the negro as highly as you will. Give This matter was referred to the Brilish Minister bim political equality and social equality will at Peking, who made representations to the follow. Then will come miscegenation, mon- Government of China, with the result that grelisation, hell and damnation. Rome had Weihaiwei is now definitely recognised as a slaves, negro slaves, and we hear nothing of foreign port. The consequence of this rethem after the empire fell. The contrast cognition is that no duties will be charged on between the Italian of to-day and the old merchandise in transit to Weihaiwei, and Roman suggests intermerriage with the drawbacks will be allowed on foreign goods re-Ethiopian. Educate the negro as you will, exported thither which have paid import duty you can never educate him to the stature of the or on native goods which have paid coast trade white man. It is useless to educate the head | duty at a Chinese port. Export duties will, however, be collected on native goods, being an original export to Weihaiwei. In short, as a you will, you cannot make him the equal of the | foreign port Weihaiwei is in the same category as Hongkong.

LATE TELEGRAMS.

[VIA JAPAN AND SHANGHAL.]

THE FAR EAST.

London, 15th December, The Morning Post in another leading article on the situation in the Far-East declares that it is Great Britain's clear duty to support Japan. London, 16th December,

It is reported from S. Petersburg that Government circles there are eagerly discussing the probable attitude of the United States with regard to Manchuria.

Berlin, 21st December. The report of the Standard, according to which Japan has rendered an ultimatum to Russia, is said, according to Japanese statements, to be incorrect. It now becomes known that Russia has absolutely refused to make any concession with regard to Manchuria, but that she is willing to negotiate with Japan about Cores. The Governments in Berlin and Paris are still maintaining the hope that the Tokyo conferences will be brought to a peaceful and, -O. Lloyd. Berlin, 22nd December.

The political situation in the Far East is apparently becoming mereserious. If is certain that Russin will not make any concessions Japan in regard to Manchuria. It remains to be seen whether she is prepared to make enough concessions to Japan in Corea and whether the Tokyo Cabinet is strong enough to resist the warlike public opinion. The expensiveness of war preparations on both sides is surely aggravating the situation. It seems that the military party in Russia is also desirous of having war. Notwithstanding the outlook, that peace will be maintained is considered still likely to outweigh the probability of war. Opinions pointing in this direction have been exchanged to-day between the German Government and the representatives of both Japan and Russia. -0. Lloy d.

THE KAISER'S HEALTH. Berlin, 21st December. The loud, clear voice of H. M. the Kaiser was noticed by all present when he delivered his

speeches in Hanover. Berlin, 22nd December. President Loubet has sent his personal congratulations to the Kaiser on his full recovery. The Kaiser will celebrate Christmas in Potsdam.

> A ROYAL ENGAGEMENT. Berlin, 21st December,

The Grand Duke of Mecklenburg Schwerin has become engaged to Princess Alexandra of Cumberland. The relations of Prussia to the Guelphs are thereby in no way altered.

Princess Alexandra of Cumberland is the second daughter of Duke Ernest August Cumberland and his wife, Princess Thyra of Denmark; she was born at Gmunden in 1882. The Grand Duke Frederick Frank of Meaklenburg is only a few months older than his

bride.-O. Ltoyd. RUBSIAN LOAN IN GERMANT CONTRADICTED. Berlin, 23rd December.

On the Berlin exchange nothing is known about the Russian Government trying to raise loan in Germany. -O. Lloyd.

[VIA AUSTRALIA.]

AN ARGUMENT FOR PROTECTION. London, 5th Pecember.

Messrs. Benn and Sons, spinners, of Brackford, in a letter to the newspapers, say that "Americans bave made such vast improvements in the manufacture and dyeing of the finest classes of goods we make on which there is a duty of 100 per cent. and upwards that our present American department cannot pay beyond the next three or four years. We are therefore erecting mills in America, and transplanting thither hundreds of looms with their complement of drawing, combing, and spinning machinery." Messrs. Benn and Sons conclude by stating: "It is no pleasure to us to take work from

British workers.' THE BALKANS.

London, 4th December. Sublime Porte wrangling over the details of the reform scheme for Macedonia throughout the winter, and then applying the reforms when it is correspondent adds, be almost in vitable. London, 6th December.

It is announced that 56 foreign officers will be engaged for the Gendarmerie in Macedonia, and that 300 subordinate posts will be reserved for foreigners.

GERMANY AND RUSSIA. London, 6th December.

Owing to the resistance by the German agrarians of tariff modifications Russia is not reserve. I don't want to shoot a negro. People to learn that an important decision has been placing in Germany further_orders for the workers is consequently threatened.

EXPENSIVE TRANSVAAL EDUCATION. London, 6th December.

There is a growing dissatisfaction in the Transvaniat the extravagance of the Government. As an instance it is pointed out that with 5s. in the Orange River Colony and 10de at Capetown

London, 7th December.

the position which Captain Marchand troops, will henceforth be named Cabac.

THE PRICE OF IMPERIALISM. London, 7th December.

Mr. Moody, the United States Secretary for and on the market until the defendant brought building of fortifications on Guam Island; on ople might be ignorant of the plaintiff's been put through.

Midway (Brook Island), near the Sandwich Islands, and at Subig Bay, on Luzon Island (Philippines), with the establishment of a naval base at Subig. .

LABOUR ON THE RAND.

London, 7th December. A deputation from the White Labour League has urged Sir A. Lawley, the Lieutement Governor of the Transvaal, to refer the question of the importation of Asiatios to work in the mines to a referendum. His Excellency said that his experience of the referendum in Australia was not encouraging. The question was too complex to render a simple intelligible issue practicable.

SIR JAMES KNOWLES.

London, 7th December. Mr. James Knowles, the editor of the Nineteenth Century, has been knighted. FRENCH CONGO COLONIES.

London, 7th December. Major Marchand has been appointed by the French Government to undertake the unification of the French colonies around the Congo, to reorganise the rights of concessionaires, and to reduce the expenditure. M. Pelletan, the French Minister of Marine, states £5,000,000 sterling has been expended in a few yours by the French Government in the Central African colonies without a penny being received in return.

BRITISH TRADE RETURNS.

London, 8th December. The returns of British trade for the month of November issued by the Board of Trade show that imports have increased by £3,605 535, and exports have decreased by £1,610 445, compared with the corresponding month of last year.

ARMS FOR CANADA.

London 8th December. Sir Frederick Borden, Minister of Defence in Canada, is purchasing 72 gans for 12 batteries of field artillery, and 50 Maxims in England. NEW MARDI CAPTURED AND EXECUTED. London, 8th December.

A new Mahdi in the Soudan, one Mahomed el Amin, a Tunisian, who has been causing trouble to the Government at Khartoum, and who already had gathered many followers, has been captured and hanged. The expedition was in command of Major-General B. T. Mahon, who, with 200 Khartonm cavalry and 200 intantry, set out from El Obeid with two Maxims, and made a forced march of 200 miles abross the desert to Dae Tagalla, where the Mahdi Mahomed of Amin was surrounded and captured. The troops returned to El Obeid, where Mahomed el Amin was hanged. The success of the operations was due to the extraordinary rapidity with which the troops marched, as on the return journey, which was accomplished in a greater space of time, threefourths of the soldiers were down with fever.

THE "TANSAN" TRADE MARK CASE AT SINGAPORE.

In the course of his judgment in the case of

Clifford Wilkinson v. McAlistor & Co. at

said the question to be decided was whether plaintiff was entitled in Singapore to the exclusive use of the word "'tansan" in connection with a mineral water imported by him from apan. Plaintiff was the owner of a spring at looked up in the forecastle. During the place called Takaradzuka in the vicinity of struggle blows were struck, and the Chinese Tobe, the water of which he has sold since 1890. apparently bore some marks of the affray, for Le first used the label produced (and marked F) on a number of them escaping through the dscribing the water simply as a mineral water. | ventilator of the forecastle and reaching the Liter, in consequence of representations regard- shore, they laid a complaint against the cap in the name, he altered the label, and instead of "Skaradzuka mineral water." he had a label prited in 1893 on which the word "tansan" in white on a blue ground was printed acres the other writing. Plaintiff stated late the meaning of the word "tansan," instituted a claim of 100,000 yeu for damages while he states is a scientific term not in common used From that time he advertised his water as tasan, and to a large extent since 1895 he had spet between \$300 and \$1,000 a mouth in advitisements. One striking mode of adverting was referred to by a witness who had spei some time in Japan, and who told the Cou than on the slope of a mountain at Moji, the ord "tansan" was written so large that it coulbe read by ships at son off the coast. He regtered his label in Japan in 1897, in America in 100, and in Java, India, and Australia. Thewater was first introduced into Singa-The Constantinople correspondent of the porunder the name "tansan" in 1898, and in Times says that there is a prospect of the 189the defendants became agents. The water wasrdered, invoiced, advertised and sold under thename "tansan." In April, 1901. platiff wrote to defendants complaining that too late to prevent a rising in the spring. War | thenles had not increased audinforming them botween Turkey and Bulgaria will then, the the had appointed the Borneo Company as ages. The Borneo Company seem in fact to has acted in this capacity in January of the yet and Mr. F. Hilton says that the sales ha been considerable, and that he had not hed of any other water being sold under the sas name, till Mr. Stephens of McAlister's ndied him at their intention to run a ival water. Plaintiff also heard Msrs. Hasegawa and Co, were shipping "anagoya tansau" to Singapore, and irructed his agents to take proceedings, a eventually the suit was started towards the e of 1901. On these facts, which he, the age, could not take otherwise than as proved, pritiff sought an injunction entitling him to train defendant from using the word ansan" or any word in which it was a part. defendant's reply was that the word was a education costs 12s. 6d. per child, as compared amon word in Japanese, used to denote a neral water collected from a carbonic acid fing. It was clear that in trade mark law mark must be distinctive, and if plaintiff I taken the name simply as descriptive of A message from Alexandria, Egypt, to the meral water his claim could not be supported New York Herald, says that in deference to less it had acquired a secondary meaning, French susceptibilities Fashoda on the Nile, id become associated with his name. was brdship reviewed the evidence and said he forced to leave in the possession of British lought from the evidence produced that the ord "tansan" had come to mean in Singapore ilkinson's mineral water; it could mean noth-

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Hongkong, 21st December, 1903.

personal name, yet people who ordered " tansan," though not knowing Wilkinson's name, wanted the "tansan" to which they had been accustomed, and that was no doubt plaintiff's mineral water. It was also contended that the defendant's label was so different from the plaintiff's that they could not be mistaken. Star Ferries sold at \$30 for old, [while new There was no doubt that anyone looking at shares are quoted \$19. Shell Transports sold at 22s. 6d. to 23s, closing with sellers at latter the bottles could not help distinguishing them. but that was not sufficient; the same defence was set up in the "Club Soda" case, and was rejected. The strong case in favour of plaintiff on this point was that in which the Apollinaria Company were concerned (33 Law Times 242). With regard to the other contention of the at \$204 to \$207, and shares could probably be defendant, the question did not arise in Singapore because there was no evidence of any mineral water under the name "tansau" having been imported here by any other than the plaintiff and defendants since 1901. injunction sought must be granted. Defendants must bear the plaintin's costs, and the parties would be heard again on the question of

SHIPPING NOTES.

Arrivals from the North and from Japan report fine weather (N.E. monsoon); arrivals from Manila and the West report strong N.E. monsoon and high sea. THE " ALNOLD LUYKEN."

The Arnold Luyken is no longer a danger to

navigation. HONGKONG CRRW DISSATISFIED. It appears, from an article in a recent issue

of the Kobe Chronicle, that the captain of the s.s. Helene Rickmers has had some trouble in Japan with his Hongkong crew. It appears that while the steamer was lying in Moji harbour Captain Warneke received a deputation from the Chinese crew asking that the Chinese should be discharged at that port. The captain objected, but promised to pay them off at Singa-Singapore, Sir Lionel Cox, the Chief Justice, pore and send them to Hongkong from that port, On the Chinese attempting to desert, the officers interfered and a row ensued, the result being that after a sharp struggle the Chinese were tain and officers for assault, showing the wounds they had received as evidence of maltreatment. The authorities, without apparently attempting to make any further enquiries, at once proceeded on board and arrested the captain and officers. It is understood that Captain Warneke has suffered by himself and officers and for the detention of his ship for two days. A MARINE SUPERINTENDENT.

Captain Outerbridge, of the B.B. Sunkiang, is taking Captain Innes's place as Marine Superintendent of the China Navigation fleet of

LATEST STEAMER MOVEMENTS. The P. & O. steamer Bengal left Singapore for this port on the 27th inst., at noon, with the ontward English mails, and is due here on the 2nd prox. at 8 a.m.

The M.M. steamer Polynceien, with the next French mail, left Saigon on the 27th inst., at

7 n.m., for this port. The Imperial German mail steamer Kiautachou left Kobe viii Nagasaki and Shanghai on the 27th inst., p,m., and may be expected here on the 5th prox.

The Imperial German mail steamer Sachsen left Colombo on the 27th inst., p.m., and may be expected here on the 8th prox. The Imperial German mail steamer Hamburg.

which left here on the 25th ult., arrived at Genoa on Thursday, at 10 a.m. The Indo-China steamer Laisang left Calculta for this port, via the Straits, on the 24th inst., and may be expected here on the 10th prox.

The Danish steamer Prins Valdemar is due here on the 6th prox. The C.P.R. steamer Empress of Japan left Yokobama on the 25th inst., p.m., for Victoria

The A.A. steamer Himera will leave Foochow this morning, and is due here on the morning of the lat prox. The N.P. steamer Olympia arrived at Victoria

(B.C.) on the 24th inst. The O.S.S. steamer Nestor left Singapore on the 26th inst., and is due here on the let prox:

SHARE REPORT.

Messrs. Erich Georg & Co. say in their weekly share list, dated Hongkong. 24th December:-Since the issue of our last circular only a moderate business has been transacted, and rates have not undergone any very material change. although the political outlook has affected some stocks, notably Bankshares. The sterling demand rate on London is 1s. 8 9/16d, while the rates on Shanghai are unchanged, viz., Tls. 71% for a T/T, and Tls. 714 for three days' sight BANK SHARES.-Hongkong and Shanghais

sold at \$670, but there are sellers now at \$665, while the London quotation has dropped to £63. Nationals h ve improved to \$31 buyers. MARINE INSURANCE SHARES .- Unions are

still on offer at \$490, while China Traders have felien to 856. Other stocks under this heading unchanged.

FIRE INSURANCE SHARES.-A few Hong. ky else because there was no other water of the kongs are on offer at \$310. Chinas have been, done at \$90, and a small lot can be placed now Marine, in his report to Congress, advises the the "Funsgoya fansan." Whilst many at \$901; a sale at \$93 per 31st March next has

SEIPPING SHARES.-Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboat shares changed hands in small lots at \$321 to .\$312, and a few shares are for sale at \$311. Indo-Chinas after advancing to 377, with a rise in the north to Tls. 56, have gone back to \$76, the latest quotation from the north being Tls. 544. China and Manilas have sellers at \$18, and Douglases are offering at \$30"

REFINERIES .- China Sugars have been done at \$105, \$104, 3103 and \$104, closing with sellers at \$105. Luzons unchanged.

MINING SHARES,-Unchanged. DOCKS, WHARVES, AND GODOWNS .- Hongkong and Whampon Dock Company shares sold placed now; at \$208. Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co. shares improved to \$98, but this rise was not maintained, and the market closes with sellers at \$97. Amoy Docks are unchanged. Farnhams are weaker in the north and the closing quotation is sellers at Tls. 1174 ex the interim dividend of Tls. 5 per share paid on 22nd instant. Shanghai and Hongkew Wharves have receded to Tls. 215.

LANDS, HOTELS, and BUILDING .- Hongkeng Land Investment and Agency Co. shares after improving to sales at \$158, are on the market at \$157. Kowloon Lands unchanged/ and so are West Points. Hongkong Hotels have been fixed at \$148, closing with sellers at that rate. Humphreys have buyers at \$11. COTTON MILLS.—Unchanged in values. The Ewo Cotton Spinning and Weaving Company paid the dividend of Tls. 4 per share on 22nd

instant, which accounts for the drop in the rate

to Tls. 33. MISCELLANEOUS .- Green . I slands sold at \$242 and \$25, and have sellers at latter rate. China Borneos have improved to buyers at \$81. Watsons sold and are wanted at \$141. Fonwicks fetched \$19, and at that figure there are buyers. Tramways are quoted \$300 ex the dividend of \$20 per share paid to-day. China Providents have been fixed at 394. Langkots, after sales at Tls. 3124 cash and Tls. 3274 per 30th April, are weaker in the north and quoted



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NEW YEAR EXCURSION TO MACAO. FRIHE S.S. "WING CHAI" will run on

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examined on the 31st inst., at 11 A.M. No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by GIBB. LIVINGSTON & CO.,

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By Command, A. M. THOMSON. Acting Colonial Secretary. Colonial Secretary's Office. Hougkong, 21st December, 1903.

PUBLIC COMPANIES .

COMPANY, LIMITED. SHAREHOLDERS are hereby notified that hin accordance with the Special Resolutions passed on 31st October, and confirmed on 18th November, 1903, they are entitled on application to au allotment of one share for every two old chares held by them. Forms of application will

be sent to every shareholder. The sum of \$2.50 per share will be payable, on application, on or before the 4th of January, 1904. Two months' notice of any calls will be

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Hongkong, 1st December, 1903. THE CANTON-HONGKONG ICE AND · COLD STORAGE CO., LD.

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Secretary. Hongkong, 19th December, 1903.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

INFORMATION has been received from the MICITARY AUTHORITIES that GUN PRACTICE will take place from Stone Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon cutters Island (West and East Batteries) in a Wharf and Godown Co., Ld., where in both South-Westerly direction at ranges from 600 to 4,000 yards; on the 1st JANUARY, 1904. If the weather is unfavourable on this date,

practice will take place on the 2nd of JANUARY.. Practice will commence at 9 A.M. and end about 11 A.M. if the range is clear. · By Command,

A. M. THOMSON. Acting Colonial Secretary. Colonial Secretary's Office. Hongkong, 19th December 1903. . (3520

WNERS of HOUSES situated in the shortly. Western Division of the City of Victoria who have not had their premises LIME-WASHED and CLEANSED in accordance with law are reminded that the period during which this work should be finished ends on the 31st day of DECEMBER, 1903, and the Sanitary Board being consinced of the necessity of cleanliness in its efforts to Stamp out Plague, is determined to rigorously prosecute any owner in default after the above named

By Order of the Board. G. A. WOODCOCK Secretary. Sauitary Board Office.

1st December, 1903. Note:-The Western Division of the City lies to the West Tank Lane and Cleverly Sreet.

IN HIS BRITANNIC MAJEST'S COULT FOR SIAM.

CITATION FOR LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION. NOVEMBER 197H, 1903.

In re CHUNG FUN LONG. (decead). of Bangkok, Swatow, Canton and Honging.

IN virtue of an order of His Majests said Court, bearing date this day, I do sereby monish and cite all and all manner of preons to appear in the said Court in six weel from the date hereof, and show cause, if ar they have, why letters of administration ofll and singular the Goods, Chattels, Right and credits of CHUNG FUN LONG, who led at Swatow on the 25th day of July, 1903, hould not be granted unto LI KUI an YIN YONG, widow and eldest son respectely of the late CHUNG FUN LONG, as, in efault thereof, the Court will proceed to gut the

same accordingly. T. H. LYLE. Acting Regiar. Bangkok, 24th November, 1903

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A summary of the progress of a quarter of a century in disposing of city refuse was 113 given by W. F. Goodrich in a British Association paper. Not less than towns now use destructors; and in 63 of these the steam generated is used at electric stations, while 40 upply the power to pumping sewage, and 3 use it for the water-works. Numerous tests have shown that every ton of refuse burnt generates about one ton of high pressure steam, smell and dust being practically banished.

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A "dying ground" of elephants, a resort where these animals go to die, was an interesting discovery by Major Powell-Cotton in Eastern Equatorial Africa.

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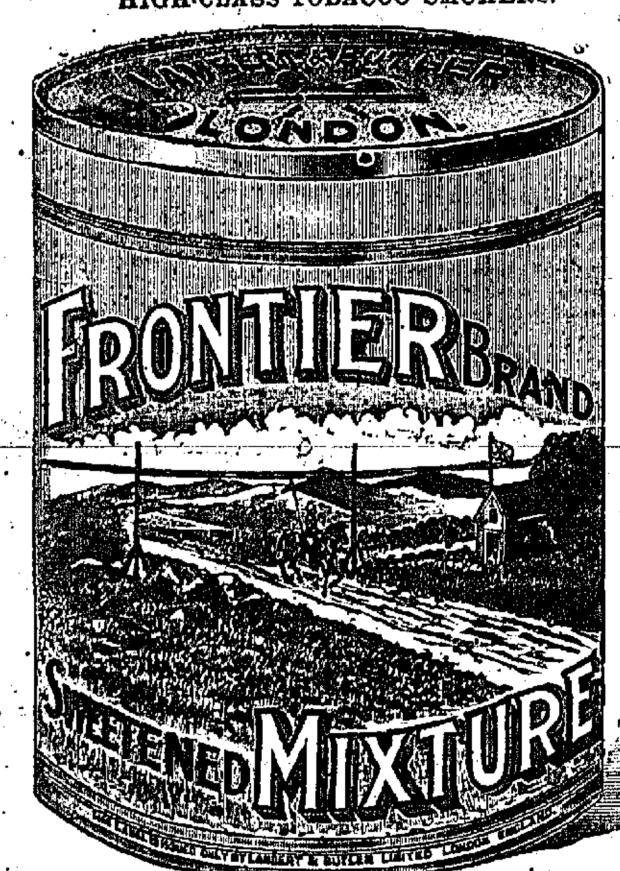
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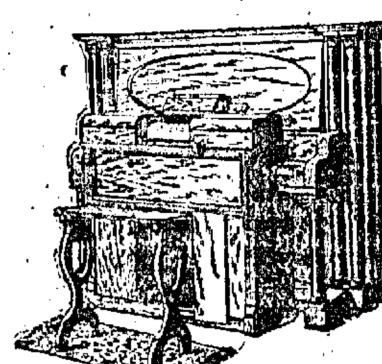
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The Bengal, with the English Mail of the 4th inst., left Singapore on Sunday, the 27th inst., at noon and may be expected here on or about Saturday, the 2nd prox. This Pucket brings replies to letters despatched from Hongkong on 3rd ult.

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THE INDIAN MAIL. The steamer Gregory Apear, from Calcutta, left Singapore for this port on 22nd inst., p.m. The Indo China steamer Laisang left Calcutta for this port, via the Straits, on the 24th inst., and may be expected here on the 10th prox. THE FRENCH MAIL.

The M.M. steamer Polynesica left Saigon on for Nagasaki, Lieut. J. M. Hobson, Messrs. J. Shimada and K. Nishimura; for Yokohama, the 27th inst., at 7 a.m., for this port. THE ENGLISH MAIL. The P. & O. steamer Bengal left Singapore A. M. Gade, Mrs. Allice P. Hudson, Dr. and

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tachou left Kobe via Nagasaki and Shanghai on the 27th inst., p.m., and may be expected here on the 5th prox. The Imperial German mail steamer Suchsen left Colombo on the 27th inst., p.m., and may be

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on the 3rd inst. The P.M. steamer China left San Francisco penter, and Carson Taylor. for this port, via Honolulu, &c., on the 12th inst.

MERCHANT STEAMERS. The N.Y.K. steamer Awa Maru (European) Line) left Singapore for this port on the 24th R. V. Gibson, a d Fleming; for Nagasaki, Mr. inst., and is expected here to-morrow. The P. & O. steamer Palermo left Singapore Yokohama, Messrs. White, Phipps, and G. B.

for this port on the 24th just., at 10 a.m. The A.A. steamer Himera will leave Foochow on the 29th inst., a.m., and is due here on the

1st prox., a.m. The O.S.S. steamer Nestor left Singapore on the 26th inst., and is due here on the 1st prox. Thermom A.M....62 Therm, Maximum......65 The H.A.L. steamer Alesia, from Hamburg, Thermon, 1 P.M....66 Therm. Minimum over eft Singapore for this port on the 25th inst., p.m., and may be expected here on the lat prox.

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